

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments made in the specification and the statements appearing below herein.

1. Enclosed is a new drawing sheet with corrected Fig. 7 (sheet 12 of 15), which has been approved by the examiner.

2. The specification has been amended to correct the informalities noted by the examiner.

3. Claims 70 – 72 are in the application for consideration.

4. Claims 70 – 72 have been rejected under the judicially-created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 3 – 5 of U.S. Patent No. 6,624,839.

Enclosed is a Terminal Disclaimer executed on behalf of applicants' assignee which is effective to overcome this ground of rejection. Reconsideration of this ground of rejection and withdrawal thereof are respectfully requested.


Fee Status (37 CFR 1.20(d) and 1.321)

Please charge the fee of \$110 prescribed by 37 CFR 1.20(d) for the filing of the attached Terminal Disclaimer to our Account No. 16-2195. A duplicate of this response and disclaimer are attached.

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In summary, it has been shown that claims 70 – 72 are in condition for allowance and such further action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures: Terminal Disclaimer
Appendix: Replacement Drawing (sheet 12 of 15)

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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